

# ANOTHER BLOW FOR WYCOMBE

By NEIL SCOTT

Brian Lee, manager of Wycombe, the Rothmans Isthmian League champions, has resigned after eight years because of increasing pressure in his duties as director of the Bisham Abbey National Sports Centre.

Lee's departure—he will stay until a replacement has been found—is the third blow for Wycombe since the death of their chairman, Jack Smethurst, last week. Earlier this week their secretary, Tony Mahoney, and treasurer, Roger Lee, resigned.

Under Lee's management, Wycombe won the Isthmian championship four times, attracting nationwide interest with long runs in the FA Cup, including a third round replay with Middlesbrough last season.

Today Wycombe have also to contend with injuries to three key players, Delaney, Eaton and Birdseye, for their league match with Clapton. Even so, they should be too strong for the team at the foot of the table.

## Too-busy Lee quits Wycombe

By MICHAEL MELANIPHY

BRIAN LEE, one of the most successful and respected managers outside the Football League, has resigned as manager of Wycombe Wanderers after eight years with the Rothmans Isthmian League club.

He is giving up due to pressure of work in his full-time job as director of the Bisham Abbey national sports centre but has agreed to stay on until his successor has been appointed.

Under Lee's guidance Wycombe have won the Isthmian championship four times in the past five seasons. And last season they beat Bournemouth and took Middlesbrough to a third round replay in the FA Cup.

Secretary Tony Mahoney and treasurer Roger Lee—no relation of Brian—have also resigned for 'personal reasons'.